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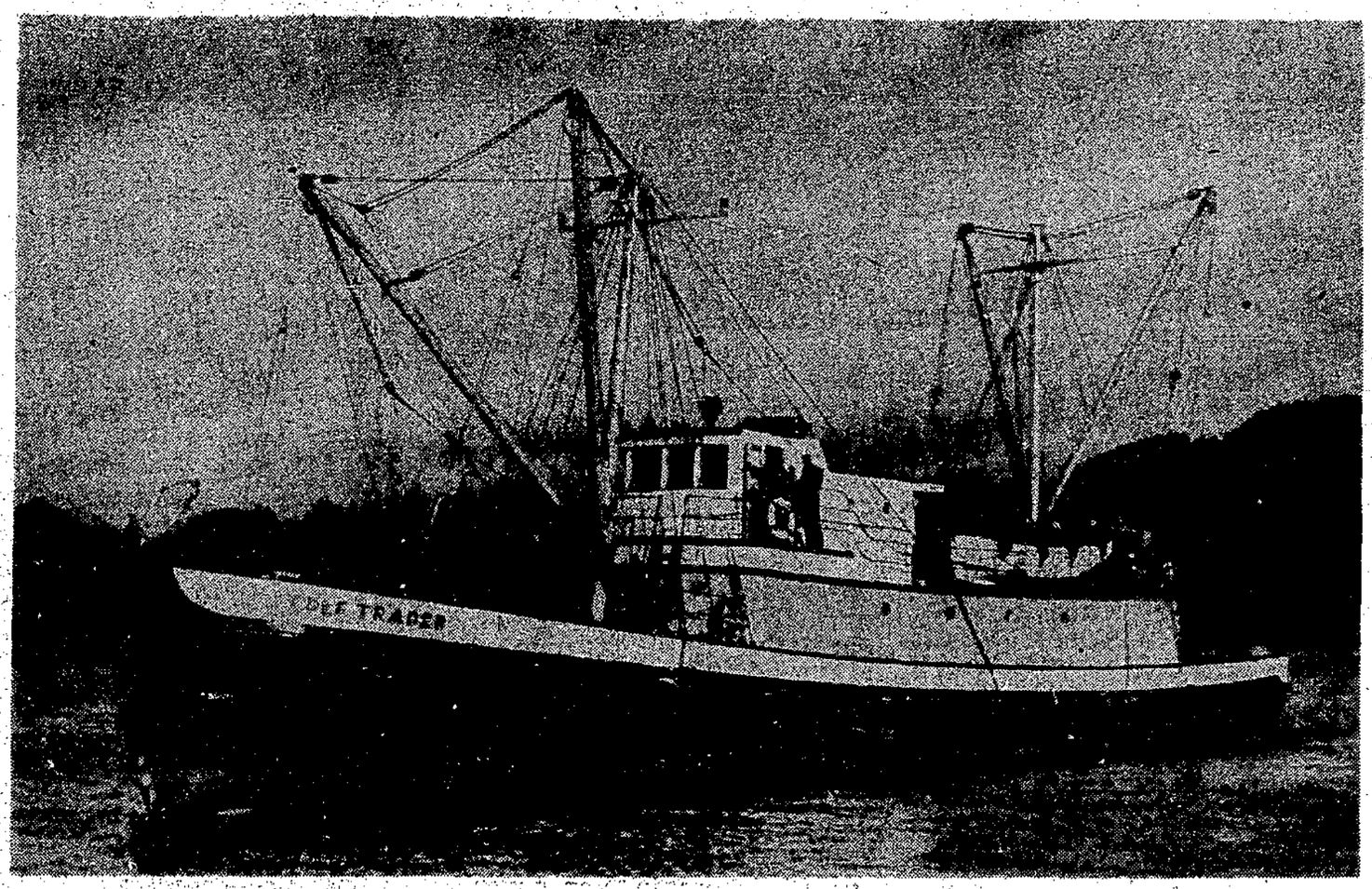
Coast News Back To Small Pages

THE Coast News will appear in its regular size this week and thereafter, in response to many requests from readers. The large size had been tried out in an attempt to ease the shortage of labor in our printing plant, but the results were disappointing and as a result the tabloid size will again be used.

The Coast News also regrets that it was unable to publish over the holiday week. It was necessary, because of staff holidays, to pass up the post-Christmas issue, but a misunderstanding led to non-publication following New Year's Day. Christmas is a two-day holiday, whereas New Year's is only one, and we were prepared to publish right after New Year's, had not most of our correspondents assumed that we would not be publishing.

However, since all that is cleared away, we look to the future, ever-hoping that we may yet be able to beat the bugbears which have dogged The Coast News for two years ... shortage of help, difficulties of maintaining fast contacts in our scattered territory, and so on. Hope springs eternal!

—THE PUBLISHERS.



—Staff Photo

GULF LINES' new freighter, MV. Gulf Trader, is seen above on her maiden voyage to Westview. The diesel ship is captained by D. MacPhail, with Jack Fraser as mate. Unique feature of the air-conditioned ship is her refrigerated cargo hold, which carries 20 tons of freight in below-freezing temperatures, thus offering coastal shippers this service for the first time. The Trader has a total freight capacity of 200 tons, and will make a round trip from Vancouver twice weekly, leaving Vancouver (Packers Dock)

Winter Fishing Good at Gibsons

THE waters adjacent to Gibsons have long been noted for the excellent fishing. In the past it has usually been necessary to go to some of the proven grounds, Salmon Rock, Gower Point, etc. Since the run of fall fish got under way this year, however, the residents, particularly those of the Headlands district, are making profitable catches much closer to their homes. In fact, some of the best fishing seen in years is experienced on the government roads, with fine salmon ten or twelve pounds in weight being taken without elaborate gear.

Drift nets and seines have not as yet been used on the roads, there being some doubt as to their legality in such waters. The fishing regulations do not appear to be specific on this point. One school of thought points out that no section of the act forbids fishing in or on government roads; an opposing faction points out that netting of salmon is usually prohibited in creeks and lakes, though admitting that the water on the roads is hardly turbulent enough to be classed as a creek, while at the same time it is only in places deep enough to be classed as a lake. It is thought the board of trade will be asked to have the matter clarified.

Women's Institute Has Active Season

GIBSONS—November bazaar netted $162 for the Women's Institute according to reports at a recent meeting. Mrs. H. Lefeuvre spoke on agriculture and rising costs, Mrs. L. B. Knight on women's clubs, and Mrs. F. Buchfield on sick visiting.

Mrs. F. Bushfield on sick visit- of a Consumers' Association to reduce the cost of living, and all women in the district are invited to join.

One third of net profit of all money-making projects of the institute will be reserved for a building fund.

Mrs. J. A. Attee Heads Church W.A.

GIBSONS—St. Bartholemew's W. A. held their annual meeting on Friday, Dec. 12 in the Parish Hall. Reports of the several departments showed an active year's work, with all financial obligations paid in full, and a balance to carry on with.

Newly elected president is Mrs. J. A. Atlee and secretary-treasurer is Mrs. N. A. Haley. A cordial invitation is extended to the ladies of the district to join this interesting branch of the church's work.

Effective Next Monday . . .

Gulf Lines Starting Increased Schedule

GULF Lines announce a new schedule, effective Monday, for the peninsula and up to Westview, which the new MV. Gulf Mariner will take. MV. Gulf Wing goes up for a complete overhaul and refit, after a strenuous year in which the gallant little ship was called upon for supreme efforts, and managed to come through smiling each time.

The new schedule appears on another page in the Coast News today, and it is suggested that it be clipped for reference until small schedules are available.

CAPT. ROY BARRY
Master of Gulf Mariner

Gibsons Schools Extend Thanks For Party Aid

Editor, Coast News.

Dear Sir,—The staffs of the Gibsons Elementary and High Schools wish to offer their sincere thanks to all the people who helped to make the Christmas parties so enjoyable for the children.

We wish to thank especially the Gibsons P.T.A. for their very fine work in providing the funds for the parties, in organizing the catering, and in being present to help serve the refreshments.

Also we are very grateful to the Legion Orchestra for the kind donation of its services for the High School party; to the many parents who donated the excellent cakes, cookies, and sandwiches; to Mr. C. P. Smith for his valuable assistance as one of Santa's helpers; to Mr. Reg. Jackson for a very fine donation of fruit; and to our janitor, Mr. Doug Davies, for his untiring efforts in assisting the children and the staff to overcome the many difficulties accompanying the production of a concert.

The people of this area showed very definitely that the spirit of Christmas is still very much alive.

R. W. ELLIOTT.

Sechelt Trade Board Asks Road from Halfmoon Bay

SECHELT—At the last executive council meeting of the Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade, main item of discussion was the board's efforts to get six miles of road surveyed and constructed.

This coastal road between Halfmoon Bay and Sechelt-Pender Harbour highway has assumed importance far beyond its actual size, since its construction must precede the extension of power service to residents in that area.

The Board of Trade feels there is a possibility that if such a survey could be made by the government, private enterprise would open the road aloiwance to such an extent that the public utilities would put into effect their plans for extension work.

The board is not at this time asking the public works department for the road itself, but for the survey. In replying to the request for a survey, minister of public works E. C. Carson states: "I can quite appreciate the desire of the residents of this area for the construction of this section of road but feel that, under present circumstances, our efforts should be directed to the improvement of the main existing highway which will serve the greatest number of people."

The Board of Trade has pointed out to the minister that "the interests of the entire area are to be served, not only the Redroof and Halfmoon Bay communities. A rough estimate of the number of homes to be immediately affected by the new road (from Sargent Bay to Halfmoon, approximately six miles) proved to be 62 as compared with two homes on the existing highway. So it cannot be said to serve the greatest number at the present time.

The board further pointed out that "any improvements in the established highway will not result in new revenue for the government, while establishment of the coastal route would bring an immediate increase in revenue from taxation.

"We feel that once the route of the proposed road is laid out and established, the B.C. Power Commission would consider the improvements and extensions of services so urgently needed in the development of this peninsula," the board explained.

Man Thrusts Arm Through Window

SECHELT—Albert Louie of the Sechelt Indian reserve had his left arm severely lacerated when he thrust it through a window at his home Jan. 3. He was rushed to Gibsons by Harry Sawyer for emergency treatment by Doctors Hugh and Alan Inglis. He lost a considerable amount of blood en route.

He was immediately transferred to St. Paul's Hospital in Vancouver via Jack Inglis' speed boat and then by ambulance from Horseshoe Bay. It is reported he is making favorable recovery after a number of blood transfusions.

Suitcase Wanders Off at Wrong Stop

A MIX-UP of checking tags cast a pall over a Christmas visit home for Miss Betty Graham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Graham of Westview. Miss Graham arrived home for the holiday season on Saturday, Dec. 20, to discover at Westview wharf that one of her three suitcases had been put off along the route.

It is believed the errant grip may have disembarked at Wilson Creek, since the checking tag had "WC" written on it instead of "WV." Miss Graham is hoping that whoever got it at Wilson Creek will let her know, so that it may be returned. The contents are valued at $80 or $90. It was brown and white leather bound.

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SECRET COVE

By C. GREEN

CHRISTMAS was a quiet affair in the Cove. No uproarious parties were noticed but a pleasant time was had by all.

Fred Tomlinson returned after a business trip to the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ramsay and their son Dana came up from the city to spend Christmas at their home on Turnagain Island. Dana has just completed his examinations for a Second Mate's certificate and will be leaving shortly for New York to join one of the Silver Line ships there.

The news of the grounding of the Lady Cecilia is well known now so there is no point in recounting it. What is not so well known is that Mr. and Mrs. Ramsay, while on their way to the Cove, saw the grounding and went over in their boat, Smuggler, to offer what assistance they could. They took off 12 passengers and brought them in to the Cove where they were landed at the government float. As is generally the case in emergencies the telephone lines were down and two of the passengers walked to Halfmoon Bay, returning with taxis. None of the passengers were any the worse for their experience.

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Four old timers in the Cove, Ed Lang, Jack Gregson, Tom Sinclair and George Gill, held their Christmas dinner at the home of Ed Lang. The dinner, turkey and all that goes with it, was cooked for the bachelors by Mrs. Green and later delivered piping hot. Somebody once said that when a person passes the fifty year old mark the stomach shrinks and they do not eat half as much. Maybe not but there wasn't enough left of a 12-pound turkey to make a sandwich after those boys got through.

Oliver Hanson and Tom Kirk had Christmas dinner together. Oliver did very well as a cook and since Tom was back at work on his boat, Vanguard 3, next day, it may be taken the dinner was all that one could ask for.

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By "CAROLA"

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Laurie and Vera Farrar, son and daughter-in-law of Mrs. Nan Farrar, came home to Roberts Creek to be with friends and loved ones.

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Mr. Alfred Olsen is down from Minstrel Island.

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Mr. Allan White, cadet officer on the "Seaboard Pioneer," arrived two weeks ago from England to be with his parents and relatives. Spent a week-end with his sister Mrs. Gordon Reeves, and brought along with him his buddy, Rob Roy, of Vancouver.

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Murray and Gwen MacKenzie were "at home" to Mrs. J. Coglan, Gwen's mother, also to sisters and their husbands and eight children.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Edlund, Bonnie and Sharleen spent Christmas in Vancouver with Mrs. J. Anderson, Mrs. Edlund's mother.

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Mrs. Roberta Chivers and daughters Marie and Eileen spent Christmas in Vancouver with grandparents of the children.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. Kirland and Shirley greeted their loved one who has been teaching up country for the past year.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Carlsen spent Christmas and New Years in Vancouver with the family.

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Mrs. J. Daly had as guests Mr. H. MacIntosh and daughters, Mrs. C. Coldwell and sister Vergie.

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Mrs. B. Brothen spent Christmas in Vancouver with daughter Kay.

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Mr. and Mrs. Don Macfarlane had their respective families from Vancouver for the holiday season.

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Arriving just a few days before Christmas to the Blomgren family was a little bundle of happiness, weighing 7½ pounds, answering to the name Wayne.

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Visiting recently in Vancouver were Mrs. J. Warlow with her sister Mrs. M. Ironmonger.

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Mrs. Ruth Mitchell spent a few shopping days in Vancouver. She also enjoyed the Croftonian carol concert where she took a personal interest in Alice Clough, Marilyn Foley and Gloria Forst.

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Many pre-Christmas parties were enjoyed by the children of Roberts Creek. The Canadian Legion entertained the children with a picture show and carol singing. There were gifts from Santa to all the little ones under 12 years.

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Mrs. R. Chivers and Mrs. A. Newton combined forces at East Elphinstone School to entertain the parents. In the evening Mrs. E. Herron, teacher at East Roberts, entertained grades 5, 7 and 8.

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BRITANNIA BEACH
By NETTIE HAMILTON

HELLO folks! Another year gone and hope this 1948 will be a better one for everyone, especially some who have had nothing but trouble in 1947.

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Bob Alexander is again in the limelight and has sure started off 1948 on the wrong foot. It seems as if he has just got started to work again after weeks of rest, owing to an operation and now he is in the General Hospital. So far he has been too ill to even have X-rays, so hope he improves soon.

So good wishes, Bob, from us all.

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Our wishes also go to Mac McClellan of the Townsite, who took a heart attack, and hope he is also improving every day.

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Also wish to send my belated wishes to Mrs. Eric Anderson, who has been in the General Hospital for over a month and we're happy to say she is improving and may be out of the hospital in a week or so and hope she will soon be home.

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Well we have two more lucky gals strutting sparklers so congratulations to Georgia Roach and Robert Patenaude and Ingrid Granberg.

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Well we rang the old year out as we always do, the gang being in "Pop" Wills room, and what a time we had. I had my cousin and her better half up, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith, for four days; also my uncle Alex Will, Mr. and Mrs. H. Sherwood, Mel Pfeffer and J. Gulliver were here for New Year's supper, after which we had 32 callers Thursday evening. It sure kept our bartender Johnny busy.

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It was nice to see all the young gang home from Vancouver, and by the looks of things they all left to resume school yesterday.

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Saturday I had company for supper, the gentleman was sawing on his meat; says he: "I've seen tough steak, but this beats all. No wonder, as it was spare ribs he was trying to eat? Must have been foggy weather?

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But even when all is happy and merry that old man Fate will insist on hanging around. Mrs. Bob Mounsey's mother, Mrs. Ed Gibson, passed away Dec. 23 after being ill for some time. On the same morning it was a shock to one and all of us to hear of little Philip Ries, age 17 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ries, passing away. They had taken him to Vancouver the evening before with what was hoped was flu, but he passed away in the morning. So it it deepest sympathy we extend to these sorrowing families, and also to Joe Dunbar whose brother passed away.

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Well I hear another gal is strutting a sparkler; our Joyce Harding to Jack MacKay (sounds like a good Scotsman to me!). So congratulations to you both.

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Glad to report Mrs. Adamson is looking very well and is getting stronger every day.

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I would just like to say welcome to our new general manager, our "Cec" Roper (who has taken over Mr. Browning's position), Dot Roper, his wife and family. I don't know what we'll do if we have to call him "Mr." Roper, being just one of the boys, its always just "Cec." We know they are going to enjoy living down at the Beach (seeing it's like California, except when a Squamish blows). His wife, like myself, is really an old-timer. I've been here 18 years and she has me beat. I don't think they are moving down until after New Year's, but from one and all of us, we wish them every success and a hearty welcome to the Beach.

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Well folks, I'm up to my ears in work. So for another week I'll say Cheerio to all my readers of Squamish, Townsite and Beach.

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W. Graham Sells Hardware Business

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The two brothers arrived in Gibsons, May, 1946, and started their plumbing business and have served the district well in that line. They have had 23 years of combined experience between them in the hardware business. George Lockett, who was with Wally Graham, will remain on as a member of their staff.

GIBSONS NEWS
By LES PETERSON

"RAID" is the only word that can explain what happened to Mr. and Mrs. David Rees here over the holiday season. Three sons and three daughters, 21 persons in all, gathered in Vancouver from that city, North Vancouver and Victoria on Saturday to make the surprice visit, only to find that there was no room for them on the boat to Gibsons. However, the Union Steamships Company chartered a bus to carry the minor invasion to Whytcliffe, and a ferry from there to Gibsons. They arrived at the Rees residence singing a parody of "Rolling Home."

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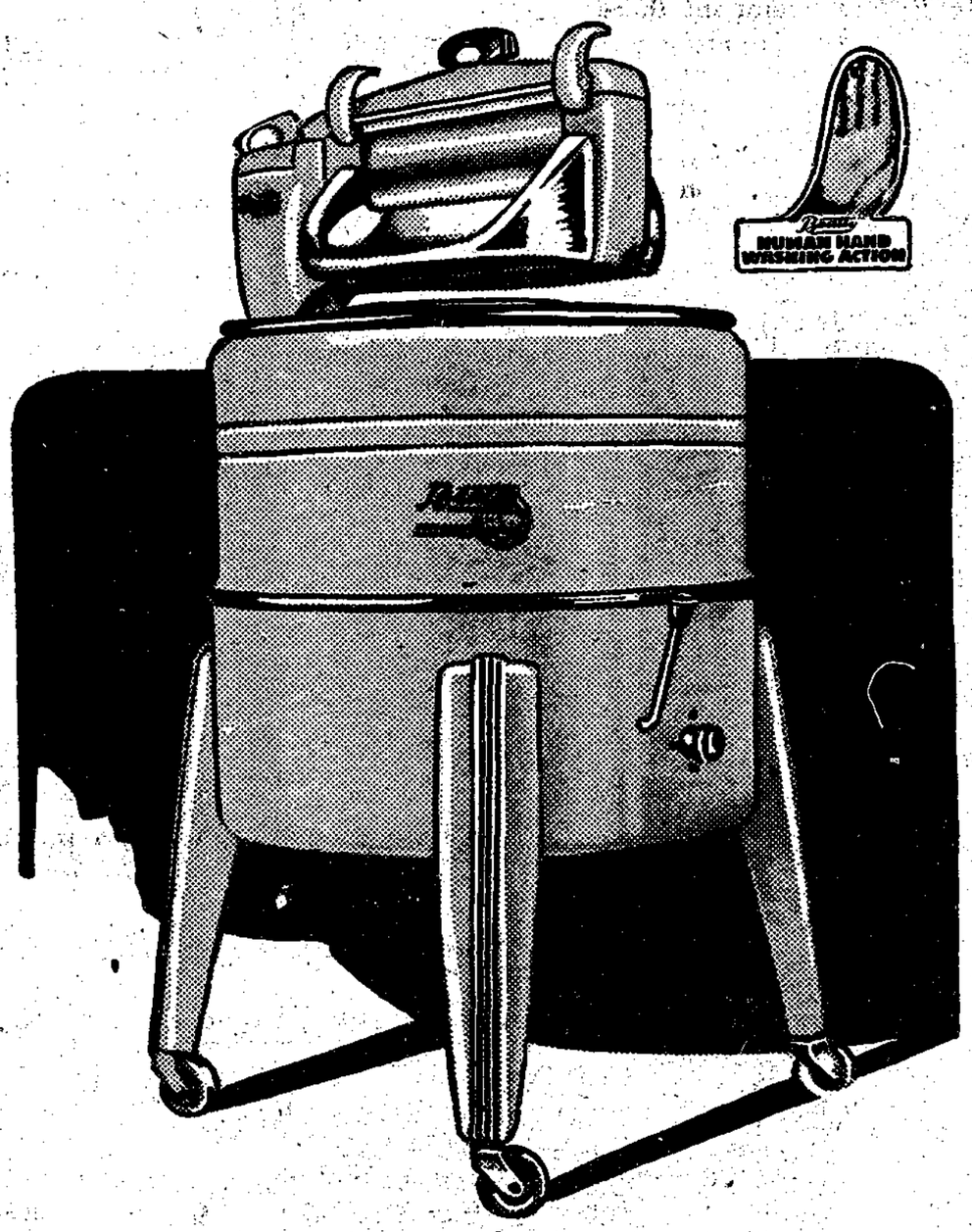

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SECHELT SCHOOL NEWS
By US'N

WE WOULD like to welcome to our school Miss N. Melvin who will teach grades two and three.

Far be it from Sechelt not to keep up with the news of the world, but we have had the "partitioning of Palestine" and now we have the partitioning of Mrs. Jay's room. Something new has been added.

A recent visitor to the school was Marge Jackson who is spending a prolonged holiday from Seton Academy with her parents at Wilson Creek. Glad to see you Marge.

We were all sorry to hear that Earle Gray had the flu last week. Glad you're better Earle.

There is a rumour going around that Miss B. Marchant is starting Pro-Rec again. We're all glad and will let you know the opening date soon.

There are a number of new pupils in the primary grades and we are glad to see that Harry Forbes is also back again.

On behalf of all the pupils of Sechelt United School I would like to thank all our wonderful teachers, Mr. Brooker, Mr. Morrison and Santa Claus for their co-operation and interest in making our Christmas concert a success. I would also like to thank the number of people who backed us up by forming our audience.

We now have a young man playing Ambassador of Good Will between Roberts and Wilson Creek. Nice work, Pete.

We were sorry to hear that Jack Philip cut his hand over the week-end. It required sixteen stitches, hope its better soon.

We heard that the efforts of the Gibsons High Dramatic Club were pretty good. Sure hope ours gets started soon.

What theory in algebra did Winnifred use to prove to her parents that C plus in B.C. equalled B plus in Alberta?

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Princess Louise Skipper Pays Call

SECHELT — Capt. and Mrs. Peter Leslie paid a surprise visit to Mrs. Ethyl Fredrickson at the Sechelt Inn over the holidays. Captain Leslie is the skipper of the C.P.R. steamship Princess Louise, which sails the Alaskan waters and also on the west coast of Vancouver Island. It was on his ship that Mrs. Fredrickson made her recent voyage to Alaska.

Gibsons Reader Describes Evils Of Beer Parlors

Editor, Coast News.

Dear Sir, — Regarding the proposed beer plebiscite being taken at Gibsons in the near future, to decide about granting a beer license for a proposed hotel that will be built if the license is granted.

Surely there should be enough business to support a hotel here without having to resort to a beer license? If this license was granted, Gibsons would soon be known as the "Drunks Retreat." They would come in boat loads, just manager to trudge from the boat to the beer parlor(and guzzle until the boat returned again, leaving many dollars in the hotelkeepers pockets, and a trail of trouble for the Gibsns peple t clean up, and driving away many respectable would-be visitors, but this would only be a very small part of the evil it would cause, compared with the harm it would do for the younger people here, as most of the latter would not trouble to send away for beer, these people who wish to procure a "carton of beer, legally," can do so in a few hours, from Sechelt or Vancouver.

We would like to take this opportunity of congratulating our new police force on so soon clamping down on some of the illegal beer traffic, also the able way Magistrate McKay dealt with the case. We have no doubt the police chief of Vancouver would like to see such magistrates handle the hold-up with violence cases, so rampant there.

Coming back to the proposed plebiscite, why we should all vote against it is, on moral grounds, we must remember that around 75 per cent of the crime in this province, and traffic accidents with loss of life, can be traced to the use of intoxicants, and worst of all, it destroys the souls of our people, it being the key that unlocks most all evils, filling our jails and asylums, and the cost to us taxpayers for the upkeep of these institutions is more than double the amount of liquor profits our provincial government makes, huge as it is, and if this beer license was granted in Gibsons, we should require two policemen here, which would mean a big jump in the local taxes, and our real estate values would fall considerably, as it would drive settlers away.

Some times we hear much of the public houses or "pubs" of England, with "mine hosts." I would like to say that 40 years ago (I understand they are not much better today with their mixed night swimming pools) they were the cause of more want and misery than anything else in the country. Very many thousands of poor children from one end of the country to the other were only half fed and clothed, the money that should have been spent on them having gone into the pockets of these public house keepers, and at that time, many of the latter were looked upon as some of the laziest men in the community.

PLAIN COMMON SENSE.

City families in the Pacific and North Atlantic regions of the United States are exceptionally large consumers of milk.

Sechelt Trade Board

SECHELT — Third general meeting of the recently-formed Sechelt Peninsula Board of Trade will be held on Jan. 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Marion Hall at Halfmoon Bay.

Items for discussion at this meeting should be forwarded in writing to the secretary at Sechelt before Jan. 12.

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SECHELT ANNEX

ANNOUNCEMENT

Owing to ill health I have been forced to take a rest. At this time I should like to gratefully thank people of this Peninsula for their wonderful support and sympathy. I shall continue with the Undertaking Parlour and Barber Shop at my own home. Marshall Bros. have taken over my hardware business, and I should like at this time to solicit your continued support. The name of the business will be known as Marshall's Hardware.

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GRANTHAMS LANDING

By JIM RENNIE

ON MONDAY evening, Dec. 29, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Allan entertained a few friends at whist. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Dave Donaldson, Mr. and Mrs. William Deans, Mr. and Mrs. Neal Lowes, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Miss W. Doherty and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rennie. Mrs. Donaldson and Mr. Grant were the card sharps and got away with the prizes. They were all a very jolly crowd that sat down to a gaily decorated table of good things and each guest wore a dainty cap or bonnet that had been made by Mrs. Allan for the occasion. All of the party had a card representing a bird or animal and each one had to act the part which culminated in uproarious laughter. Mr. Grant in proposing a toast to Mr. and Mrs. Allan expressed the happiness of all the guests at being present.

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Mr. and Mrs. Pringle and family of Vancouver were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rennie over the New Year holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. Bert Thorburn of Gleichen, Alberta, parents of "Slim" Thorburn of Gibsons, paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rennie to renew old neighborly acquaintances.

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Mrs. Innes has received the good news that her daughter Jean and her baby boy have arrived safely at Fort Nelson. They left Vancouver by plane and joined her husband who is with the R.C.A.F.

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Mrs. Austin of Gibsons had a happy New Year and reunion with her daughters Hilda and Elaine and their husbands, Ex-Sgt.-Major Stallworthy and Mr. Martin.

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Today I listened to the BBC news from London and heard the commentator state that Britain had loaned Egypt millions of United States dollars; he also gave reasons why, and said a hard bargain had been struck but that both sides had parted on friendly terms. The funny part is that last week Britain had no U.S. funds and Canada was running low on U.S. dollars. What made me take notice of news from the financial world was that the Christmas and New Year festivities had left me bankrupt and my mind was in a very receptive mood to absorb the advice of money wizards. How do they do the trick. This predicament found me in the same straitened circumstances while trying to make a living on a farm in Alberta. There was a celebrity in that province who said all he had to do was to scrape a pen and if we voted for him he would give us $25 per month. Well, a lady friend of mine helped to elect him by a huge majority and as he became premier she was carried away with the exuberance of his verbosity and bought a new stove on time on his promise, and she has been scraping away ever since trying to pay for it. As we listen to the colossal figures and how they are juggled we wonder if our education had been sadly neglected, as they leave us dumb. To get back to where we started, Egypt has been doing her best to kick John Bull in the pants for years and good old John Bull retaliates by waving the magic wand and the good old hat trick. It's all a mystery. I've two friends whom I should like to have at my side near the radio during one of these trillonaire broadcasts, they are C. P. Smith and Bob Burns. C.P. could grasp the meaning of the trillions and Bob could act as financial critic and tear them to pieces. Who knows?

BIBLE READING

THE LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life; of whom shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even mine enemies and my foes, came upon me to eat up my flesh, they stumbled and fell. Though an host should encamp against me, my heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me, in this will I be confident. One thing I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to enquire in His temple. For in the time of trouble He shall hide me in His pavilion: in the the secret of his tabernacle shall He hide me; He shall set me up upon a rock.

Hide not thy face far from me; put not thy servant away in anger: Thou hast been my help; leave me not, neither forsake me, O God of my salvation.

Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.

PSALM 27: 1-5, 9, 14.

The old complaint, "My feet are killing me!' literally applies to thousands of Americans each year, the National Safety Council reports. About one in every three traffic victims is a pedestrian.

ACTUAL SIZE picture of the wedding present to Princess Elizabeth from the Dominion Command of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., which will be presented personally by Prime Minister Mackenzie King. The brooch, a gold maple leaf, has a diamond encrusted stem with diamonds around the flag on the superimposed Legion crest. It is enamelled in colours.

ACCIDENTS IN THE HOME MORE PLENTIFUL DURING WINTER MONTHS

When cold weather keeps people indoors, home accidents go up, according to the National Safety Council. Home accident fatalities were fewest from April to September—2,300 to 2,600 — and most frequent in cold weather—3,300 in January and 3,600 in December. There's no place like home—for accidents.

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AT PRESENT those paid by the month whose annual remuneration is $2,400.00 or less are insured under the Act.

THE CHANGE will not affect the coverage of all hourly, daily and piece rated employees and those paid on a mileage basis, who will continue to be insured regardless of earnings.

WEEKLY RATED employees whose earnings are expected to be $3,120.00 or less per year will continue to be insured under the Act.

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Castor Oil Epic on the High Seas . . .

Faith, Humour, Devotion Make Life

A DEVOUT belief in the Master Mariner, a sense of humor, and a dedication of service to others seems to be the prescription for the ideal parson, Rev. Alan D. Greene, master of the Columbia Coast Mission ship John Antle, whose parish is the rocky coast from Halfmoon Bay up north to the Queen Charlottes. It is not a summer vacation job. It must go on, month after month, fair weather or foul.

As proof of a sense of humor, read this account from the minister's diary. He had been called to help a Mr. Bentley, at Wyatt Bay, not far northwest of Powell River. Bentley had contracted ptomaine from an old can of lobsters, and was in dire straits, and Rev. Greene agreed to take him to Dr. Richardson at Campbell River. Rev. Greene's diary goes on:

"And with that he gave his mother a good-bye kiss, and went out into the gloomy store and scooped out all the money there was in the till, and we made for the 'Rendezvous.' He had been torn between two forms of treatment. One his dear old mother prescribed, and one that another good lady held out as the only answer to all man's ailment, 'Science and Health,' to wit, Mary Baker Eddy. He had been very loyal to his mother's treatment and had consumed castor oil almost in bulk form. As he staggered down to the ship, he said to me, as he clutched my arm: 'I don't think Christian Science and castor oil work very well together.'

"'No,' I said. 'Stick to one or the other.'

"We were soon away, and in a few hours in Dr. Richardson's office at Campbell River. Before my friend knew what the doctor was giving him, he had another dose of castor oil in his innards. We wended our way up to the hospital as the doctor felt it a wise provision to have him in hospital over night. I dropped in to see him about 10 o'clock. The lights in the ward were turned low, and I arrived just as a charming nurse was giving him a little night-cap. Not to wear on his bald dome, but to ease his tummy. He got that down like a good boy, only to realize he had swallowed still another potion of his favorite drink, the same smooth-tasting, easy-to-take castor oil. He nearly fled from the hospital in his night shirt, but saner counsel prevailed and he spent what must have been an active night. The next morning when I went over to see him at the hospital, I found him standing on the Campbell River wharf eager to be off home."

And for illustration of service, read this exerpt from "The Log," which is the diary of the minister:

"Another night, years later, I was heading up the gulf just opposite Oyster River on Vancouver Island, when Cape Lazo called me by radio, saying a doctor was needed by a family at Wyatt Bay. The message had come to Lazo from a tug that lay abreast of Wyatt Bay waiting for the tide to turn in the Hole-in-the-Wall, and Lazo passed the word on to me as skipper of the 'John Antle.' I had intended going through the Seymours, but changed my course to go up through the Surge Narrows, and by good luck hit the Surge on the ebb tide and came alongside the tug, and asked them who the sick person was. They pointed across to the Wildes' home and said, 'A chap came out to us from over there, saying his wife was very ill and asked if we could broadcast to the John Antle on the off chance of her being in these parts.' In the darkness, the crew shouted to me, asking if our ship was the 'John Antle.' I enlightened them, and just as I swung away for Wildes' I heard one of the crew say: 'By God, that's damned fine service!' The doctor went ashore and gave relief to Mrs. Wilde, and then at daybreak we took her to Rock Bay, where she got further treatment and in a few days was back home again. Dr. Dunn was with us that trip and he enjoyed the experience very much."

Another story in "The Log" reveals that its gallant crew will tackle anything. This entry recalls events of twenty years ago.

"It was at Lund I first met Col. and Mrs. Herchmer and their then wee daughter Laurentia. They and others were making plans for homes they would build on Savary Island. The pioneers of Savary in those days were the Ashworths, the Keefers, the Maces, and not long after the Pilsburys, as well as the Herchmers. The Townleys were also in that group. And, I believe, George Thompson, and at the east end of the island a man named Green without a final 'e,' who was supposed to have been murdered there, and a legend grew up around his little cabin of his ghost that really haunted the place. I never met the said ghost, although I bravely visited the place of a dark night.

"Not long ago, I had the pleasure of pulling a small freighter off the sand-bar at Indian Point, and felt I had joined the salvage companies in the adventures that fall to them. But mine was a simple job. The new 'John Antle' is only 36 feet long, but she did the trick and I hauled the freighter out into deep water, stern first. This right under the eyes of the guests at the Royal Savary Inn, to whom the previous evening I had said in my sermon or story 'That I never knew what a day would bring forth in the way of new adventures.' It looked like a framed-up job, to go back there the next morning and salvage a ship five times my size right under their very noses.

"I found a seiner there one day, tied up at the wharf waiting for a southeaster to go down. They hailed me and I went alongside and found that they were more or less lost. I asked them to show me their chart. They had none. And their tidebook as a guide to their proposed run through the Seymour Narrows. They had none. 'Well,' I said, 'I'll give you a rough course to follow. Let's have a look at the compass.' They had none. I drew a traced copy of my charts for them to get them as far as Alert Bay, and gave them a tide-book, but I couldn't spare my only compass. They actually made Prince Rupert, but some of the crew deserted there, and I don't know what happened finally to the ship."

And finally, the recognition of the Master Mariner . . . this closing entry in "The Log," for one of the ship's innumerable voyages is a masterpiece of extemporaneous prose:

"And so it goes. There is the odd rock in those waters with which I have had too great intimacy, and I'd rather pass them by and confine my ramblings to those good folk whose lives have been so intertwined

(Continued on Page 8)

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Due to slackness of business during the day, barber shop will be open evenings only during the week and all day Saturday.

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The Coast News

Gibsons School News
By MARY SLINN

ON FRIDAY, Dec. 12, the high school put on a concert. The program included two one-act plays: "She's a Beauty," starring Betty Grant, Grace Dickson, Pat Slinn and Bill Pye; and "A Christmas Star For Olga" with Ruth Morris, Ruth Westvand, Claire Veitch, Elizabeth Cornish, Margaret Weal, Mary Fletcher. There were songs by the girls' choir and dances by two groups of girls. A skit, "The Langs Went Out" with Bob Graham, Maldwyn Thomas, Harold Bunkof and Don Graham proved very popular. Another skit, concerning a visit to the dentist, brought out the talents of Ted Larnwell, Earle Foulkes, Harold Bunkof and Barry Stewart. Wilf Westman was the master of ceremonies, Eleanor Shaw was pianist and chief advisor for the cast. Much credit is due Mrs. Rankin, Mrs. Knight and Mr. Truman who coached the pupils. Despite poor weather conditions a large crowd turned out.

On Monday, Dec. 15, the National Film Board showed films to the pupils of the school. It was a very welcome diversion from school work.

The elementary school staged its concert on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 18, to a large crowd. Grades 1-8 helped make the concert the success it was. Miss New, Mrs. Elliot, Miss Stevenson, Miss Wagner and Mr. Elliot are to be congratulated. The P.T.A. was very generous this year and everyone had their fill of hot-dogs and other refreshments. We still can't figure out who Santa Claus was!

At the students' assembly this week the pupils picked the design of a school crest submitted by Earle Foulkes. These school crests will soon be on sale.

Welcome to Peggy and Tommy Palmer from Pender Harbour. We are looking forward to having your older brother, Jerry, with us next year.

In reply to Us'n, Sechelt, ve didn't realize you knew what the "New Look" was. Rather unappreciated tact on our part.

It may be June in January, according to the song writers, but the National Safety Council would like to see it April in both December and January. The first and last months of the year are the most hazardous, but April is the safest.

CKWX Dramatic Star

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HARRY SAWYER
SECHELT TAXI

SECHELT
By ARIES

APPROXIMATELY $300 was realized at the bazaar held recently in the Indian village. Mrs. FitzLouie convened, assisted by a committee including Alice Jackson, Susie Jackson, Teresa Jeffries, Mary Martha Joe, Joan August, Katherine Gibson and Violet Gibson. The friendly spirit that prevails in the village at one of these affairs would certainly give the white settlers some points. One is made so very welcome and given of the best. The handicraft is to be much admired, and the Catholic sisters are to be complimented on their training which is equal to any high class girls' school.

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Remember Mary Lapansky who lived with Mrs. Crucil some time ago? Heard about her the other day—she is married now. Her name is Mrs. Newman and she is living in Ladysmith.

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Saw Wally and June Smith and Pat Osborne making a dash for Gibsons for a hurried trip to town.

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Watch this column for news on V.O.N. Next week I shall have an important announcement to make.

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We have a famous look alike in our midst. Have any of you noticed the close resemblance to Nelson Eddy (Now girls, don't rush; I saw him first.) in the new man in the gas station, Gordon Dolman. He assures me he can't sing, though I don't believe it.

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Janet Hansen has recently taken the plunge, we hear she has become engaged to Roy Marshall of Rockwood Lodge. We wish them every happiness.

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We certainly had a wonderful concert put on by the Sechelt school children and Mrs. Mee and Mrs. Jay who were general conveners tell me that over $125 was collected. Gifts for 140 pre-school children were bought and candy and nuts supplied to 250 children. All this was due to the committees of P.T.A., and Mr. Morrison, president of P.T.A., acted as M.C. We are indeed indebted to the teachers, Mr. Ellis, Miss Turner, Miss Marchant and Mrs. Jay, who worked so hard to make this a success, and also to Mr. Horace Walton Brooker who, with his unfailing good humor, gave of his time and talent at the piano.

The items which I most enjoyed were the balloon dancers wtih their star Master Donald MacRae taking the lead. Miss Turner's room put on Alice Blue Gown, with Marilyn Horne soloing. Marilyn also sang the Welcome Song, and Little Red School House. The play, Ca Pie, put on by Miss Marchant's room, was rather a big success keeping everyone in suspens as to what was happening nex We especially enjoyed the sing ing of Barry Redman in Silen Night with the chorus of th girls' choir. Barry will go fa with proper training—we hear comments all around us as t the wonderful quality and rang of his voice.

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Lv. Vancouver	No	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	9:00 a.m.	12:30 noon	6:30 p.m.
Ar. Sechelt			11:15 a.m.		11:15 a.m.	2:45 p.m.*	8:45 p.m.
Ar. Halfmoon Bay	North		12:15 noon		12:15 noon	3:45 p.m.	
Ar. Pender Harbour			1:15 p.m.		1:15 p.m.	4:45 p.m.	
Ar. Vananda	Bound	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	6:15 p.m.	
Ar. Westview		2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	2:30 p.m.	4:00 p.m.	7:00 p.m.	12 midnt.
Ar. Blubber Bay	Trip		3:15 p.m.		3:15 p.m.		Vessel Departs Westview Midnight Calls Vananda 1:00 a.m., Arrives Vancouver 7:00 a.m. Monday
Ar. Lund						8:30 p.m.	
Ar. Bliss Landing						9:00 p.m.	
Ar. Seaford						9:30 p.m.	
Ar. Refuge Cove						10:00 p.m.	

*—Calls Wilson Creek

NOTE: Times Other Than Westview and Vancouver Are Approximate

SOUTHBOUND	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Lv. Refuge Cove						No	7:00 a.m.
Ar. Seaford							7:30 a.m.
Lv. Bliss Landing						South	8:15 a.m.
Lv. Lund							8:45 a.m.
Lv. Blubber Bay			3:15 p.m.		3:15 p.m.	Bound	10:00 a.m.
Lv. Westview	Vessel Departs	3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.		11:00 a.m.
Lv. Vananda	Westview Midnight	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	2:00 p.m.	5:30 p.m.	Trip	11:30 a.m.
Lv. Pender Harbour	Sunday Calls	5:00 p.m.		5:00 p.m.			1:15 p.m.
Lv. Halfmoon Bay	Vananda 1:00 a.m.	6:00 p.m.		6:00 p.m.			2:15 p.m.
Lv. Sechelt	Arrives Vancouver	7:00 p.m.		7:00 p.m.			3:15 p.m.
Ar. Vancouver	7:00 a.m.	9:15 p.m.	10:30 p.m.	9:15 p.m.	10:30 p.m.		5:30 p.m.

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with mine. It in their childr and their children's children meet today, and the bond comradship seems to be just strong as ever with the ne generations. They listen wi deep interest to my tales, perhaps I spend an evening wi them up there and tell them few stories of their forebea and former neighbors.

"Some of these yarns sou fantastic to folk who live an the humdrum setting of a ci and yet they are all true. T back-ground is at times insp ing in its beauty or grandeur its utter peacefulness, a there, amid surroundings th seem so ageless and untouch by all that we queerly descri as civilization, these people l their happy lives, and t church through its living age on little mission ships, becon a part of their lives, and pe haps enriches the tempo their days to such an exte that instead of its being a pr longed plain-song of eventl days, life becomes a full ha mony of adventures, joyous a sad.

"Sometimes, as I lie at a chor in a land-locked cove, a the night is utterly still w the ageless stars looking do upon this troubled earth, almost have this harmony human life with its stran cadences, its grand crescen and those diminuendos, wh the lives of my beloved flo were hushed into the silen of bewildering sorrow. A behind those stars, and aw beyond and yet ever about . . . God."

The Bandicoot rat is a nat of the east and its flesh is ea by Indians and Cingalese.